

**United States Department of Labor
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board**

M.B., Appellant

and

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY,
TRANSPORTATION SECURITY
ADMINISTRATION, Bloomington, MN,
Employer**

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) **Docket Nos. 25-0844 &
25-0207**
) **Issued: September 19, 2025**
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Appearances:
Appellant, pro se
Office of Solicitor, for the Director

Case Submitted on the Record

**ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL IN DOCKET NO. 25-0844 AND
DISMISSING PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION IN
DOCKET NO. 25-0207**

Before:

ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge
PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Deputy Chief Judge
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge

On August 17, 2025 appellant sought an appeal from purported final adverse decisions of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) dated June 20, 2024 and February 4, 2025. The Clerk of the Appellate Boards docketed the appeal as No. 25-0844.

The Board, having duly considered this matter, notes that the Board has jurisdiction to review final adverse decisions of OWCP issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.¹ This jurisdiction encompasses any final adverse decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the date appellant filed the appeal.² The February 4, 2025 decision, however, was a Board decision docketed under No. 25-0207.³ There is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP either dated June 20, 2024 or February 4, 2025, or within 180 days of the filing of this

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 8101, *et seq.*; 20 C.F.R. §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a).

² 20 C.F.R. § 501.3(e) provides in pertinent part: "Any notice must be filed within 180 days from the date of issuance of a decision of the OWCP."

³ Docket No. 25-0207 (issued February 4, 2025).

appeal.⁴ As there is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP over which the Board may properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 25-0844 must be dismissed.⁵

To the extent that appellant's August 17, 2025 appeal may be construed as a timely petition for reconsideration of the Board's February 4, 2025 decision under Docket No. 25-0207, the Board notes that its decision became final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of issuance.⁶ As appellant did not file his disagreement with the Board's February 4, 2025 decision until August 17, 2025, this submission may not be deemed as a timely petition for reconsideration as it was filed in excess of 30 days from the date of issuance.⁷ Thus, the petition for reconsideration of the February 4, 2025 Board decision in Docket No. 25-0207 must be dismissed as untimely filed. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 25-0844 is dismissed.⁸

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT the petition for reconsideration in Docket No. 25-0207 is dismissed as untimely filed.

⁴ 20 C.F.R. § 501.3.

⁵ *Supra* note 2.

⁶ 20 C.F.R. § 501.6(d).

⁷ *See* 20 C.F.R. § 501.7(a).

⁸ The Board's decisions and orders are "final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance." 20 C.F.R. § 501.6(d).

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